



THANK
YOU SO MUCH!
THAT BULB'S BEEN
OUT SINCE I
STARTED--

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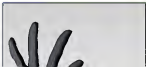
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CHAPTER EIGHT

SECRET ORIGINS: MINDFULL

SCOTT, ALEX, AND
GABE FLEXSTEIN
ARE BROTHERS...





...ALL BORN WITH
RUBBER-LIKE SKIN
AND BONES, AND
THE ABILITY TO
STRETCH.

TOGETHER,
THIS MUTANT
TRIO FIGHTS
CRIME AS...

--AND WE

DON'T HAVE
A LADDER BIG
ENOUGH TO
REACH.



NO
PROBLEM.

...THE
FLEXMEN!

YOU'RE
SURE THIS
SUIT DOESN'T
MAKE ME LOOK
FAT?



SCOTT, THE
OLDEST, IS
THEIR LEADER.

YOU'RE
SKINNIER
THAN EVER,
SCOTT--





DYNA BASED THE COSTUME ON A PANEL DRESS, WHICH USES AN INSET (USUALLY WHITE) TO FOCUS THE EYE AND CREATE A THINNER SILHOUETTE.





--I ALSO
TIGHTENED THE
WEAVE. IT WON'T
AFFECT HOW FAR
YOU STRETCH, OR
HOW FAST, BUT THE
COSTUME WILL
KEEP ITS SHAPE
LONGER.

THAT'S
WHAT YOU
SAID THE LAST
TIME.





IT'S A SINGLE PIECE
OF CORTEX. NO ZIPPERS
OR BUTTONS OR, GOD
FORBID, VELCRO--

--THE FLEX-MEN POUR
THEMSELVES INTO THEIR
COSTUMES THROUGH
THE OPEN NECK.

SOLID
BLACK IS
VERY
SLIMMING.

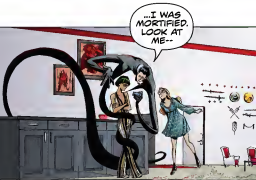




F*IN'
GABE.**

WHO
STILL USES
TWITTER?

...I WAS
MORTIFIED.
LOOK AT
ME--





--I
LOOK LIKE
A PIG!



IT'S THE
CAMERA. IT
ADDS TWENTY
POUNDS.

I SAW
THAT AND
STARTED A
JUICE CLEANSE.
HAVEN'T EATEN
IN THREE
WEEKS.



SUPERHEROES NEED TO
STAY IN SHAPE. THEIR
LIVES DEPEND ON IT--

BETTER
THAN PUTTING
MY FINGER DOWN
MY THROAT.





WHO
NEEDS
SOLID
FOOD?

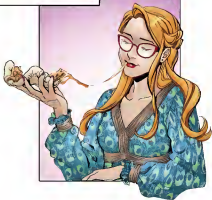


--BUT WHAT HAPPENS WHEN A
JOB REQUIREMENT STRETCHES
INTO AN UNHEALTHY OBSESSION?



WHAT DOES A
PERFECT BODY
LOOK LIKE?

AND HOW MANY
CALORIES ARE IN
A SLICE OF WASABI
RANCH AND BULGOGI
PIZZA, WITH GREEN
CAPSICUM AND
ONIONS?





KEEP READING FOR A
SPECIAL FEATURE!

The **SECRET ORIGIN** of **MINDFULL**

MIND

DR. HAMILTON MALLORY
WAS A PROMINENT NEW
YORK PSYCHIATRIST--



--BUT HIS PATIENTS MADE
VERY LITTLE PROGRESS.

HE FELT LIKE
A FAILURE.

SO MALLORY WENT
INTO THE LAB--



--EXPERIMENTING ON
HIS BODY'S NEURAL
RECEPTORS...

...UNTIL HIS PHYSICAL TOUCH
COULD CREATE A BIOCHEMICAL
LINK TO ANOTHER PERSON'S

LINK TO ANOTHER PERSON'S
EMOTIONAL ISSUES.



BUT MALLORY'S EXPERIMENT WORKED
TOO WELL, AND HIS DESIRE TO HELP THE

DEPRESSED BECAME AN ADDICTION--



--SADISTICALLY MANIPULATING
HIS PATIENTS'S ANXIETIES FOR
HIS OWN PLEASURE.

THREE PEOPLE DIED BEFORE
THE AMERICAN PSYCHIATRY
ASSOCIATION TOOK AWAY HIS
LICENSE.



MALLORY BLAMED THE APA
FOR HIS PUBLIC HUMILIATION
AND VOWED REVENGE...

...HE TOOK THE NAME
MINDFULL AND USED
HIS ABILITIES TO BEGIN
A LIFE OF CRIME--



--FORCING PEOPLE
TO RELIVE THEIR
WORST FEARS.
AGAIN AND AGAIN.

UNLESS THEY
PAID HIM TO
MAKE IT STOP.





MINDFULL FOUND THE
FEARS OF SUPER-HEROES
THE SWEETEST OF ALL--

--UNTIL BLUE CHIP
SUED HIM AND SENT
HIM TO PRISON.





THE JAILHOUSE DOCTOR
DIAGNOSED HIM AS "A HIGHLY
INTELLIGENT SADIST, WITH
NARCISSISTIC TENDENCIES, AND A
DEEP HATED OF ALL HEROES."

MINDFULL KILLED
THAT MAN BEFORE HE
ESCAPED. THAT WAS
TWO MONTHS AGO.

HE IS CONSIDERED
EXTREMELY DANGEROUS
AND WELL DRESSED.



HIS CURRENT
WHEREABOUTS
ARE UNKNOWN.





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